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FOLLOWING KEYED TO PARAGRAPH 4 OF REFTEL.

A. SHRIMP CATCH WAS DOWN IN EARLY 1975 BECAUSE OF GOVERNMENT BAN ON SHRIMPING DURING FEBRUARY AND MARCH TO ALLOW FOR INCREASE IN SIZE DURING MOST RAPID GROWTH PERIOD.

B. ACCORDING TO MANAGER OF LOCAL SHRIMP PACKING FIRM, SHIPMENTS ARE MADE BI-MONTHLY MEANING LOCAL INVENTORY AVERAGES AROUND ONE-HALF MONTH EXPORT LEVEL WHICH WOULD BE 175 THOUSAND KILOS AT 1974 LEVELS.

C. THE FEBRUARY-MARCH BAN WILL INCREASE SHRIMP LANDINGS FOR 1975, WITH THE IMPROVEMENT FELT MOSTLY IN THE CATCH OF WHITE SHRIMP. ONE GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL ESTIMATED 1975 LANDINGS AT 5.9 MILLION KILOS, WHICH EQUALS THE AVERAGE CATCH FOR 1965-74 PERIOD. 1974 LANDINGS WERE 5.3 MILLION KILOS OF WHICH 1.3 MILLION KILOS WERE OF THE WHITE SPECIES.

D. THE U.S. IS PANAMA'S ONLY CUSTOMER FOR SHRIMP.

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EXPORTS MAY APPROACH THE 1970 LEVEL OF 5 MILLION KILOS.

1974 EXPORTS WERE 4.4 MILLION KILOS.

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